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7 CFR 205.605, 7 CFR 205.606

On August 22, 2001, FMC BioPolymer submitted a petition requesting that konjac flour be included in 7 CFR 205.605 (a): Nonagricultural (nonorganic) substances allowed as ingredients in or on processed products labeled as "organic" or "made with organic (specified ingredients or food group(s)) – Nonsynthetics allowed.

Minutes of a January 14, 2002 Executive Committee conference call indicated that the matter of konjac flour would be sent to the May, 2002 meeting with recommendation for its listing in 7 CFR 205.606. The final meeting minutes of a NOSB Committee Conference call of April 12, 2002 note the recommendation that konjac flour be listed in 7CFR205.606 (Nonorganically produced agricultural products allowed as ingredients in or on processed products labeled as "organic" or "made with organic (specified ingredients or food group(s))).

The recently published amended National List does not include konjac flour. We request that it be included as noted above.

Sincerely,

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